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Applicants:

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RESPONSE

MS Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 March 10, 2006

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the December 23, 2005 Communication wherein the Examiner indicated that the September 19, 2005 Amendment filed in response to the December 21, 2004 Office Action is not fully responsive. Particularly, the Examiner alleges that new claims 39-48 are not properly identified in accordance with 37 CFR §1.121.

In response to the December 23, 2005 Communication, Applicants are submitting on even date herewith an Amendment wherein new claims 39-48 are properly identified in accordance with 37 CFR §1.121. Accordingly, the Amendment being submitted herewith is fully responsive to the prior Office Action. Therefore,

reconsideration and withdrawal of the December 23, 2005 Communication is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, the applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment of fees, to the deposit account of MATTINGLY, STANGER, MALUR & BRUNDIDGE, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-1417 (566.36161CX1).

Respectfully submitted,

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